

MEETING MINUTES
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling
October 10, 2019

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling was called to order by Jill Colegrove, Chair, at 9:02 a.m., in conference room Lower Level B, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law.

The following members answered roll call:

Members Present (8):

Lori Cleveland, Vice-Chair
Jill Colegrove, Chair
Amy Eigenberg, Member
Victor Gehrig, Member
Jody Gilfillan, Member
Tomeka Johnson, Secretary
Ian Lemmer, Member
Natasha Robinson, Member

Member Absent (1):

Christine Chasek, Member

Staff Present:

Kris Chiles, Program Manager, Licensure Unit
Angela Andersen, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit
Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Gehrig moved, seconded by Cleveland, to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Gehrig, Gilfillan, Johnson, Lemmer, Robinson (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Chasek (1). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (7-11-19)

MOTION: Cleveland moved, seconded by Robinson, to approve the minutes of 7-11-19. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Gehrig, Gilfillan, Lemmer, Robinson (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Chasek (1) Abstain: Johnson (1). Motion carried.

4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Lemmer, to enter into closed session at 9:05 a.m. to hear discussions of investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals. Robinson repeated the motion purpose. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Gehrig, Gilfillan, Johnson, Lemmer, Robinson (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Chasek (1). Motion carried.

9:36 a.m. Gilfillan departed meeting
9:43 a.m. Gilfillan returned

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Cleveland, to return to open session at 9:46 a.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Gehrig, Gilfillan, Johnson, Lemmer, Robinson (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Chasek (1). Motion carried.

5. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT OUT OPEN SESSION

a. Applications, Summary of Mail Ballot Votes and Reinstatements

Conviction Reviews:

Kimberly Hupp – PLADC Applicant

MOTION: Eigenberg moved, seconded by Gehrig, to recommend deferring their decision in order to obtain additional information. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Gehrig, Gilfillan, Johnson, Lemmer, Robinson (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Chasek (1). Motion carried.

Scott Aldrich – PLADC Applicant

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Cleveland, to recommend deferring their decision in order to obtain additional information. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Gehrig, Gilfillan, Johnson, Lemmer, Robinson (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Chasek (1). Motion carried.

6. UPDATES/REPORTS

a. 172 NAC 15 and 16 Public Hearing scheduled for 10.16.19 at 10 a.m., Room LLB https://www.nebraska.gov/nesos/rules-and-regs/regtrack/details.cgi?proposal_id=2078

Chiles provided an overview of the process during and after the public hearings. She suggested a separate meeting be scheduled to address the hearing comments (either in person or by conference call). A conference call will be set up for October 25, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. per the Board's decision.

9:56 a.m. Johnson departed meeting
9:57 a.m. Meeting break
10:15 a.m. Meeting resumed and Johnson returned

Robinson commented she was aware of one comment relating to the requirement of on-site practical training. Chiles provided information regarding statute 38-315 (see statute language below) and stated that because it was a statute, that it could not be changed during the regulation process.

38-315. Practical training supervisor; requirements; duties.

(1)(a) The practical training supervisor for supervised practical training required under section 38-314 shall hold one of the following credentials:

- (i) Licensure as an alcohol and drug counselor;
- (ii) If the practical training is acquired outside of Nebraska, a reciprocity level alcohol and drug counselor credential issued by a member jurisdiction of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, Inc., or its successor; or
- (iii) Licensure as a physician or psychologist under the Uniform Credentialing Act, or an equivalent credential from another jurisdiction, and sufficient training as determined by the Board of Medicine and Surgery for physicians or the Board of Psychologists for psychologists, in consultation with the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling, and adopted and promulgated by the department in rules and regulations.

(b) The practical training supervisor shall not be a family member.

(c) The credential requirement of this subsection applies to the work setting supervisor and not to a practicum coordinator or instructor of a postsecondary educational institution.

(2) The practical training supervisor shall assume responsibility for the performance of the individual in training and **shall be onsite at the work setting** when core function activities are performed by the individual in training. A minimum of one hour of evaluative face-to-face supervision for each ten hours of core function performance shall be documented. Supervisory methods shall include, as a minimum, individual supervisory sessions, formal case staffings, and conjoint, cotherapy sessions. Supervision shall be directed towards teaching the knowledge and skills of professional alcohol and drug counseling.

b. Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report

- Gilfillan reported she is retiring as the Justice Behavioral Health Committee representative and Cleveland will be taking her place in December.
- JBHC cancelled the October conference call due to another meeting that would be held the end of October in LaVista. Eigenberg and Gilfillan will be in attendance.

c. International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) <https://internationalcredentialing.org>

Robinson reported she is attending the IC&RC Fall Meeting October 28-29, 2019 in Savannah, GA. She requested any questions the Board had that she could present at the meeting; members suggest obtaining additional information from other states regarding refresher training after a set # of failed examinations.

Notes of interest were:

- 70%+ of LADC licensees also have an LIMHP license.
- Concerns with the testing site or location issues since the site has changed.
- Should peer support workers be certified?
- Continuing education credit conflicts, IC&RC requirements are not the same as ours. Nebraska's requirements are in a statute so no changes can be made. IC&RC will not risk losing Nebraska's participation by enforcing the differences.
- Robinson commented that there has been a high turnover rate of long term employees in IC&RC which is also causing some confusion with the continuing education credits.

d. Reports: Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees

Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Action Report: The report beginning January 1, 2019 to current, was circulated.

Examination Results as of January 1, 2019: 31 pass, 5 fail

Statistics: (number of individuals holding a current license)

LADC 736

PLADC 411

7. SET MEETING DATES FOR 2020

Suggested dates are January 9, April 9, July 9, and October 8. The Board approved these dates.

8. BOARD MEMBER SERVICE AWARDS

Jody Gilfillan and Tameka Johnson were presented with awards for 5 years of service as members of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counselors.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the chair declared the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Submitted by:

Tomeka Johnson, Secretary
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling

Summarized by:
Angela Andersen, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit